

SHOWER SAFETY RING

CUSTOMER NUMBER 39048

APPLICATION NUMBER : 10/686,070

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**COLOR PICTURES OF SHOWER SAFETY RING
ACTUALLY BEING USED INCLUDED.**



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RANKIN (3,990,120)

**1. THIS DEVICE MAKES NO PROVISIONS FOR
GETTING A VICTIM OUT OF THE RING IN AN**

**EMERGENCY. THE RING IS SOLID STEEL WHICH
WOULD CHOKE OR INJURE A VICTIM FALLING.**

**2. THE DEVICE DOES NOTHING TO PREVENT
HORIZONTAL ACCELERATION IN A FALL AND
SLAMMING INTO AN END WALL AND KNOBS.**

**3. THE DEVICE MAKES NO ARRANGEMENTS FOR
FASTENING THE BRACKET TO THE WALL STUDS OF AN
IRREGULAR SPACING.**

**THE DEVICE DOES NOT REMOTELY PERFORM AS
THE "SHOWER SAFETY RING".**

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**4. THE DEVICE MAKES NO PROVISIONS FOR
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**5. THE SMALL DIAMETER OF THE RING (95)
MAKES IT SUSCEPTIBLE TO CHOKING A DISABLED
VICTIM.**